Introduced by Assembly Member Gomez

January 20, 2016

An act to relating to vehicular air pollution.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1685, as introduced, Gomez. New motor vehicles: emission standards: civil penalties.

Existing law requires the State Air Resources Board to adopt and implement standards for the control of emissions from new motor vehicles that the state board finds to be necessary and technologically feasible. Existing law prohibits a new motor vehicle from being sold in the state that does not meet the emissions standards adopted by the state board. Existing law provides that any manufacturer who sells, attempts to sell, or causes to be offered for sale a new motor vehicle that fails to meet the applicable emission standards shall be subject to a civil penalty of \$5,000 for each such action.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would update civil penalties to ensure state law provides appropriate penalties, accounting for the intent of the violator, for introducing into commerce in California vehicles that do not meet emission standards adopted by the state board.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- 2 legislation that would update civil penalties to ensure state law
- 3 provides appropriate penalties, accounting for the intent of the
- 4 violator, for introducing into commerce in California vehicles that
- 5 do not meet emission standards adopted by the State Air Resources
- 6 Board.